

## Message Text

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R 311810Z OCT 77  
FM AMEMBASSY BONN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2725  
INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SPON  
SUBJ: RFE/RL ACCREDITATION TO 1980 SUMMER OLYMPIC  
GAMES IN MOSCOW

REF: PRAGUE 1696

1. THE FRG PRESS REPORTS THAT THE PRESS SPOKESMAN OF THE SOVIET OLYMPIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (OK), WLADISLAW SCHEWTSCHENKO, TOLD A DPA INTERVIEWER IN MOSCOW ON OCTOBER 28 THAT RFE/RL HAVE "NO REAL CHANCE" OF BEING PERMITTED TO COVER THE MOSCOW GAMES. ACCORDING TO DPA, SCHEWTSCHENKO SAID MOSCOW EXPECTS THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (IOC) TO SUPPORT THE SOVIET POSITION. THE DPA ARTICLE STATES THAT THE SOVIETS HAVE BEEN PRESSING THE IOC TO REVISE ITS STATUTES IN ORDER TO CREATE A LEGAL BASIS FOR THE BARRING OF THE RADIOS (REFTEL). SCHEWTSCHENKO IS SAID TO HAVE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE SOVIET REQUEST WOULD BE APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE IOC IN ATHENS IN MAY, 1978.

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2. COMMENT: AS WE READ PRESS ACCOUNTS OF THE INTERVIEW (WE DO NOT HAVE A TEXT), SCHEWTSCHENKO DID NOT SAY THE SOVIETS WOULD UNILATERALLY BAN THE RADIOS, BUT THAT HE EXPECTED THE IOC MEETING TO SUPPORT MOSCOW'S DEMAND THAT THEY BE EXCLUDED.  
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